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For: CERVICAL INTERVERTEBRAL DISC  
PROSTHESIS INCLUDING ANTI-  
DISLOCATION DEVICE AND  
INSTRUMENTS FOR IMPLANTATION  
THEREOF (as amended)

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Action dated November 14, 2008, please amend this application as follows.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.

An Appendix providing copies of a PTO-stamped postcard receipt and previously disclosed references begins on page 7.